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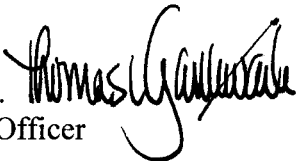

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TO: Each Supervisor

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Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESIDENTIAL DETOXIFICATION SERVICES FOR
SERVICE PLANNING AREAS 3 & 8**

This is in response to the attached comments presented by Daryl Flynn at the February 15, 2005 Board of Supervisors meeting regarding the equitable geographic distribution of funds for Residential Detoxification Services in Service Planning Areas (SPAs) 3 and 8.

On February 3, 2005, the Board approved 20 new Substance Abuse Service Agreements based on the release of a Request for Proposals #2004-05: Primary Health Core – Substance Abuse Services. These services included Substance Abuse Day Treatment, Residential Detoxification, Residential Rehabilitation, and Transitional Housing.

For Residential Detoxification, three agencies submitted proposals and all three agencies were recommended for funding. The total amount requested by these three agencies far exceeded the targeted funds of \$541,867. Funding recommendations were calculated based on ranking of scores and distribution in tiers. For these services, proposals were recommended at approximately 50 to 60% of their requested funding amount. The three agencies are located in SPAs 2, 3, and 8.

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The following table summarizes the funding for Substance Abuse Residential Detoxification Services for Years 14 and 15.

Agency	SPA	Funding Year 14	Funding Year 15
Behavioral Health Services	3, 8	\$114,309	\$86,206
Tarzana Treatment Center	2	\$326,955	\$323,036
Cri-Help, Inc	2	None	\$132,625
Watts Healthcare Corporation	2	\$79,054	Did not apply
Total Funding		\$520,318	\$541,867

Given that these services are generally provided through centralized facilities where the specific capacity is not consistent with the Geographic Estimate of Need, it is intended that clients in need of Residential Detoxification services are able to access these services regardless of their original SPA of residence. They can then transition either residential or outpatient programs which are more geographically distributed. Outreach to eligible individuals throughout the County of Los Angeles is an important component of each funded program.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let us know.

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Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Daryl Flynn



**The Preliminary Transcript of the Meeting of
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors**

1 SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. I THINK
2 NOW WE'RE PREPARED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. IF I COULD ASK MR.
3 DARYL FLYNN TO JOIN US, ALSO BRIAN BOUDREAU, AND STANLEY
4 LAMBPORT. MR. FLYNN.

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6 SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU
7 FOR ALLOWING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. I'M
8 WELL AWARE THAT THE MATTER THAT I'M ADDRESSING HAS ALREADY
9 BEEN ADDRESSED EARLIER ON IN THE MORNING. THE ISSUE THAT I'D
10 LIKE TO ADDRESS IS THE RECENT SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESIDENTIAL AND
11 DETOX CONTRACT WITH THE OFFICE OF A.I.D.S. PROGRAMS AND
12 POLICIES. FIRST OF ALL, I JUST GOT THE INFORMATION ON THE
13 ALLOCATION AMOUNTS THIS PAST FRIDAY. THAT'S WHY I WASN'T ABLE
14 TO ADDRESS IT BEFORE, BUT I COME TO YOU TODAY NOT AS A
15 PROVIDER OF SERVICES, I COME TO YOU AS A PERSON LIVING WITH
16 A.I.D.S., A PERSON IN RECOVER, A RECOVERING ALCOHOLIC AND
17 ADDICT AND AS AN ADVOCATE FOR CONSTITUENTS, SPECIFICALLY IN
18 SPAS 3 AND 8. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE AWARE OR FULLY AWARE OF
19 WHAT THE CONTRACT AMOUNTS WERE, BUT AS FAR AS IT RELATES TO
20 SPAS -- SPA 3 AND 8 FOR DETOX SERVICES, IT WAS, IN MY OPINION,
21 IT WAS DRASTICALLY UNDERFUNDED. IN SPA 2, THERE WERE TWO
22 PROVIDERS THERE NOW. THE GOOD THING IS THAT THERE ARE NOW
23 THREE PROVIDERS IN L.A. COUNTY THAT PROVIDE MEDICAL DETOX FOR
24 PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. THAT HAVE A CONTRACT
25 WITH THE OFFICE OF A.I.D.S. PROGRAMS AND POLICIES. THE ISSUE

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1 HERE TODAY IS ABOUT GEOGRAPHIC -- EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHIC
2 DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS. THERE ARE TWO AGENCIES IN THE VALLEY
3 THAT HAVE A CONTRACT. ONE OF THEM IS A NEWER AGENCY WITH THE
4 CONTRACT OF THE OFFICE OF A.I.D.S. THOSE TWO CONTRACTS TOTAL
5 TOGETHER ALMOST A HALF -- JUST UNDER A HALF A MILLION DOLLARS
6 FOR SPA 3 AND SPA 8 COLLECTIVELY. \$86,000, AND I BELIEVE THE
7 OTHER NUMBERS ARE, LIKE, 86,209 DOLLARS WERE ALLOCATED FOR
8 DETOX SERVICES WITHIN SPAS 3 AND 8. THAT, FOR ME, DOES NOT
9 REPRESENT GEOGRAPHIC EQUITY. THE ISSUE -- I'M SORRY. THE
10 ISSUE, FOR ME, IS WHERE DO THE PEOPLE, THE CONSUMERS WITHIN
11 SPA 3 AND 8 GO FOR DETOX SERVICES? AS YOU KNOW, DETOX, IN MANY
12 CASES, IS THE ENTRY POINT FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS TO GET INTO
13 THE CONTINUUM OF CARE THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
14 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SO STRONGLY SUPPORTS? AND I KNOW THAT YOU
15 AS SUPERVISORS SUPPORT IT AS WELL AS I SUPPORT IT. AS IT IS
16 NOW, MORE THAN 50 TO 60% OF THE CLIENTS THAT WERE SERVED IN
17 THOSE TWO GEOGRAPHIC AREAS, SPAS 3 AND 8, WILL HAVE TO GO TO
18 THE VALLEY TO RECEIVE SERVICES FOR DETOX IN AN ATTEMPT TO
19 RETURN THEIR LIVES TO SOME SORT OF SANITY WITH A DEGREE OF
20 SELF-RESPECT. THAT'S PROBLEMATIC FOR ME. WITH THE ISSUES OF
21 TRANSPORTATION, WITH THE ISSUES OF DAY-TO-DAY LIVING WITH THE
22 DISEASE, IT'S KIND OF DIFFICULT SCHLEPPING FROM THE SAN
23 GABRIEL TO THE VALLEY TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS.

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1 SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: WE UNDERSTAND. WE'RE GOING TO ASK THE
2 DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO YOU. I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S ANYONE
3 HERE FROM THAT DEPARTMENT THAT COULD ASSIST YOU TO GET AN
4 ANSWER, BUT IF NOT, WOULD YOU -- THERE IS. OKAY. BUT I ALSO
5 WOULD LIKE -- ASK -- I THINK HE RAISES A LEGITIMATE ISSUE OF
6 GEOGRAPHIC, I THINK THEY WOULD BE ESSENTIAL IN THOSE SPAS, AND
7 I'M SURE THERE ARE MAYBE SERVICES THAT YOU HAVE NOT LOOKED AT
8 THAT ARE AVAILABLE. HOPEFULLY THAT'S THE CASE, BUT WE'RE GOING
9 TO ASK FOR A REPORT BACK TO US ON THE ISSUES YOU RAISE, BUT
10 THE GENTLEMAN HERE, MR. SCHUNHOFF, CAN TALK TO YOU ABOUT THESE
11 ISSUES.

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13 SPEAKER: OKAY. THANK YOU.

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15 SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. MR. BOUDREAU.

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17 SPEAKER: YES. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR HEARING ME
18 FOR A MINUTE, AND I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW I'M HERE WITH SOME
19 RELUCTANCE TODAY, BUT I'M HERE BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER
20 CHOICE. I HAVE A FINAL MAP, TENTATIVE MAP THAT WAS APPROVED IN
21 1998 THAT'S SURVIVED A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF SCRUTINY AND
22 BATTLES WITH ORGANIZATIONS FIGHTING ITS VALIDITY AND SINCE
23 THEN I HAVE BEEN DILIGENTLY PROCESSING MY FINAL MAP. I'VE
24 SUBMITTED A PHASE OF MY FINAL MAP TO THE COUNTY IN OCTOBER,
25 WHICH BASICALLY GAVE ME A MANDATORY THREE-YEAR EXTENSION AT

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